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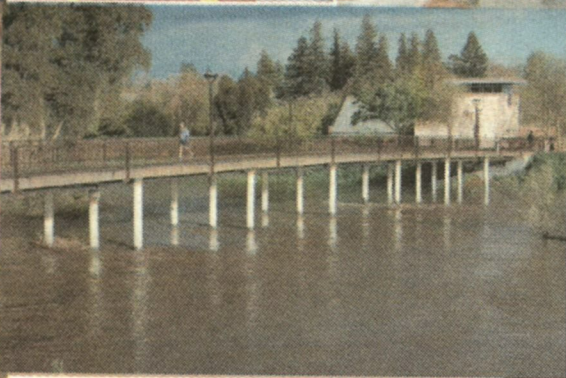
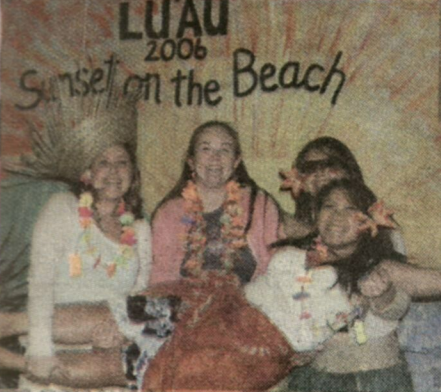
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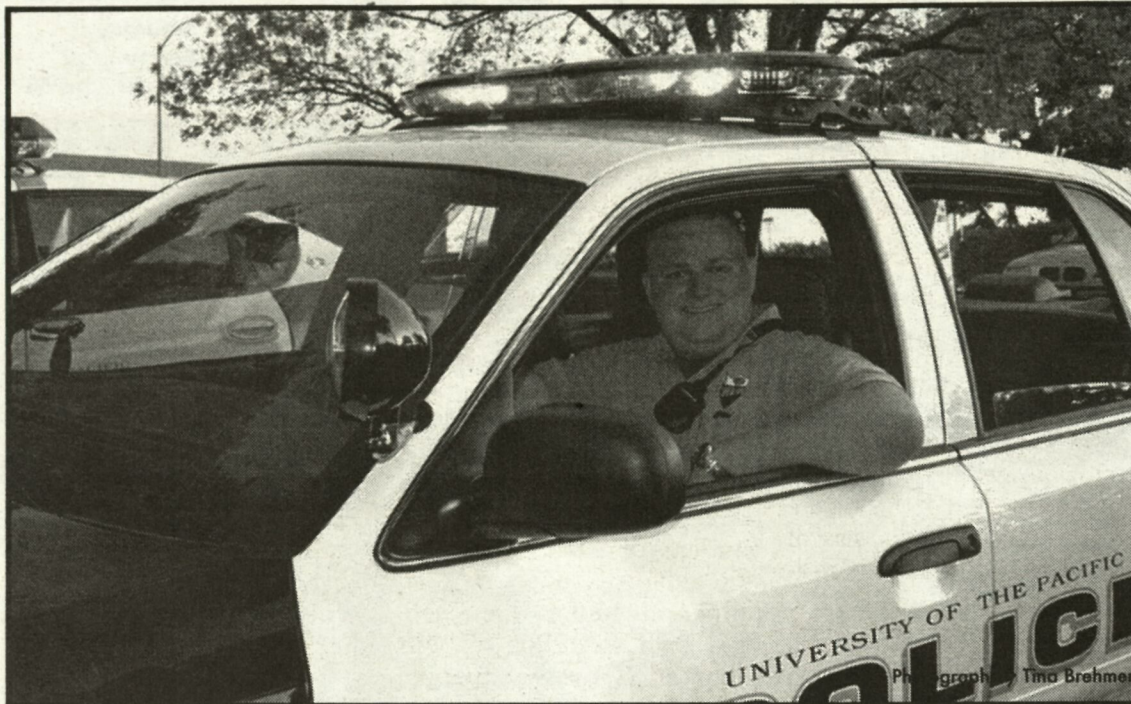
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# Pacific Police Ride Along

*Keeping Pacific Safe Since 1983*



Mitch Hitchcock from The Pacifcan staff went on two ride alongs with The University of the Pacific campus police to get an inside look at their role in campus life.

## Mike Hitchcock

Staff Writer

When most students think of the campus police they think of the people who are out to get them in trouble or the people who want to kill all of their fun.

On Saturday April 22nd and again on Friday April 28th I had the opportunity to do a ride along with Officer Tim Lenderman of the Pacific police department. After this experience I no longer think of our police as "party fouls" but rather as the people who let us party.

The first thing I noticed during my ride along was that the police are normal people. Some of the officers have also gone to college and understand what life is like on a campus.

The police do not go out of there way to shut down parties or seek out drunk minors they look for unsafe situations and try to resolve them.

The one thing that the police department stresses on campus is safety. Most of the stops we made were people who didn't go to school here and looked out of place and were doing something illegal on campus for example traffic violations.

Also for traffic violations

if a student was driving they would often be let off with a warning (this doesn't mean you should test it).

One common misconception about our police department is that they aren't supposed to patrol off campus. A good portion of the patrol Officer Lenderman did was right along the outskirts of campus and even a bit off campus.

He explained to me that if **"One common misconception about our police department is that they aren't supposed to patrol off campus."**

they patrol only campus they can only stop trouble after it has already come on campus. If they patrol off campus they can stop trouble before we are in harms way. This is another way that our police stress safety on campus.

Another thing I noticed is how they don't hold our previous actions against us. By this I mean if you did something wrong in the past our police will still treat you with respect and dignity now.

At one time they were

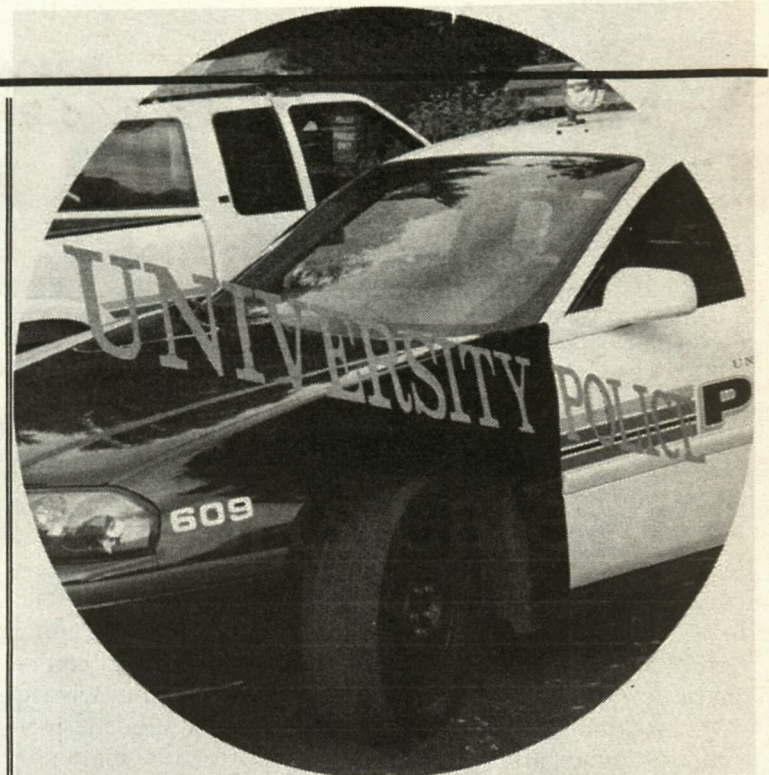
talking to a student who I had known to have caused a lot of trouble for the police department in the past. Officer Lenderman walked up to him, shook his hand, and asked him how his classes were going.

Also Officer Lenderman was very sincere about it. I don't know how many people I've talked to that are scared of our police just because they had an unpleasant contact with them freshman year.

This was one of the things I realized about the Pacific Police that I really respected. In fact I found nothing that they did either night to seem in any way unjust or unfair. Our police have been going out and patrolling campus every night working 10 hour shifts so we can enjoy our college experience with out the fear of the surrounding dangers.

Our police officers have taken a University in a town that has one of the highest crime rates in the country and made it much safer than the city around it.

For more information on our police department visit: <http://www.pacific.edu/studentlife/publicsafety/h>



## UNIVERSITY OF THE PACIFIC DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY WEEKLY REPORT APRIL 23-29, 2006

### 1. DISTURBANCE PACIFIC AVE

Subject was involved in an argument with his roommates and had injured his hand. Officers located the subject walking down Pacific Ave. and had him transported to St Joseph's Hospital for treatment.

### 2. ATTEMPT BURGLARY PACIFIC CIR.

Victim discovered his 1998 tan Chevrolet window broken into. It did not appear that anything was missing at the time of the report.

### 3. THEFT EISELEN HOUSE

Victim left his room unsecured and when he returned, he found his wallet on the bed and his money missing.

### 4. THEFT WPC

Suspects entered an unlocked office and removed a brief case, some personal belongings and University keys.

### 5. AUTO BURGLARY BROOKSIDE LOT

Victim reports someone smashed out a side window and removed a briefcase, purse and some personal property.

### 6. BURGLARY FINANCE OFFICE

Suspect forced entry into the second story of the finance office during the evening and took personal items along with University keys.

### 7. ANNOYING CALLS PUBLIC SAFETY

Two victims came into Public Safety that they have been receiving threatening phone calls and e-mails from another subject.

### 8. CASUALTY WPC LAWN

Officers responded to a call of a subject who injured himself while playing Frisbee. This subject was transported to St. Joseph's Hospital.

### 9. GRAND THEFT McCAF-FREY CTR.

Victim reports leaving his lap top unattended while at the center for 15 to 30 minutes and found it missing upon his return.

### 10. THEFT SEARS HALL

Victim reports the theft of a razor style cell phone and the ear piece.

### 11. AUTO THEFT MONA-GAN PARKING

Victim reports someone took his 2000 Honda Civic.



# Victim Advocate Maryann Pearson, an Unknown Resource

Arash Scott Behnam  
Sports Editor

Maryann Pearson understands the realities of college. As a former police officer on the University of the Pacific campus and now a victim advocate, Pearson has dealt with many difficult situations on campus. Yet Pearson's job is an enigma on campus, as most students do not have the slightest idea of the resource Pearson can be.

"A victim advocate is someone who assists students that are victims of actual or threatened violence by providing emotional support, information and resources," said Pearson, who has been a victim advocate for four years.

A victim advocate also provides physical support by attending judicial hearings, meetings with the police, and hospitals or medical centers. Pearson can also intervene on the victim's behalf with faculty,

housing and any department on campus.

"Reporting is always encouraged, however, reports are not required for information and referral assistance," Pearson said.

Pearson stresses that it is important for victims to know that there are many different ways to make a report. They can make an "in-house" judicial affairs report, a criminal report that can be prosecuted by the District Attorney, a significant incident report, or a matter of record in which the victim does not press charges.

Pearson can also offer assistance to those who are on the other side of the law and might have questions or need information.

"You do not need to be a victim to receive resources on campus or in the community," Pearson said. "I have helped students through the court cases, giving information on the process, what they might face with the

District Attorney's office, court appearances or explaining their rights."

Sometimes, victims do not come forward, because of feelings of shame, guilt, and fear that somebody might find out. Pearson

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emphasizes that confidentiality and honesty are essential to the success of a victim advocate. Credibility is built when the victim understands that the advocate's job is to give all the assistance and support possible.

"All communications with victims are confidential unless written or verbal permission is received from the victim to release the information to a third party, or unless one of the

following exceptions is met: knowledge of suicidal or homicidal thoughts, knowledge that child or elder abuse has occurred, information requested through a judge, or if there is a perceived threat to the safety of the student or the community," said Pearson.

Pearson said campus safety does a good job keeping the campus safe but there are incidents that are never reported because "students are reluctant to come forward and access resources that are available to them."

A major reason for this is students are not aware that the university offers such an important tool in the safety and understanding of our rights as well as the situation. Pearson is on the job 24 hours a day, seven days a week, carrying a specific cell phone to which any student can have the number.

Pearson works hard every day to better the campus. Her passion is to see the growth

of this campus as well as growth in the students. Her willingness to give and support any student in a time of need is a credit to the administration and school for putting someone like Pearson in such an important position. Pearson believes success and unity on this campus are critical in the attitudes of each student.

"Respect one another by allowing for differences in diversity, cultures, and maintaining a self standard to stop inappropriate behaviors," Pearson said.

Pearson also warns that without responsibility and good judgment this campus will continue to have problems.

"Understand that poor choices and poor judgment will have consequences that may affect you not only now but also in your future," she said.

Maryann Pearson's office is located in the Cowell Wellness Center and she can be reached at 209-403-0250.

## Commencement

### Press Release

Stockton, Calif.) - A migrant farm worker who reached for the stars and an actor who became one will be honored at the 2006 University of the Pacific Commencement, Saturday, May 20, at 8:30 a.m. at the Alex G. Spanos Center. The University expects to graduate 1,095 students at its main campus in Stockton on that day.

Central Valley native Jose Hernandez, who received his B.S. in Electrical Engineering from University of the Pacific in 1984, will bring his homegrown story of inspiration and success to Pacific's graduating class of 2006. Hernandez is a materials engineer at the Johnson Space Center in Houston, Texas, and an expert in X-rays, tomography and ultrasound. He is the winner of the NASA Service Award (2002, 2003), the Lawrence Livermore Na-

tional Laboratory "Outstanding Engineer Award" (2001) and the U.S. Department of Energy's "Outstanding Performance Commendation" (2000.) Hernandez will be awarded an honorary Doctor of Laws degree.

Also honored at Commencement is Hollywood icon and Academy Award-winner Clint Eastwood. Eastwood has been recognized many times for his cinematic work, winning the Academy's Irving Thalberg Award in 1995, an honorary Cesar Award in Paris for his body of work in 1998, the Career Golden Lion at the Venice Film Festival in 2000 and several Oscars over the years for *Unforgiven*, *The Bridges of Madison County* and most recently *Million Dollar Baby*. Presently, Eastwood serves as the Honorary Chairman of the Brubeck Institute at University of the Pacific. Eastwood will receive an honorary Doctor of Fine Arts degree.

In a special presentation this year, University of the Pacific President Donald V. DeRosa will present Pacific alumnus and music legend Dave Brubeck, (CON 42) with the Presidents Medal of Achievement, the first time during his decade-long tenure DeRosa will award the Medal. The award is reserved for those who have demonstrated in their life and in their work high standards of excellence as evidenced by scholarship or creative activity; by professional development and achievement; by public service; by commitment to the development of University of the Pacific; or through excellence in a field which contributes to the development of society.

DeRosa says Brubeck embodies all of those qualities. "Dave's work is a study in creative excellence. His life is marked by achievement, public service, and an incomparable contribution to the betterment of our world," said DeRosa. Whether taking a stand against segregation in the 1950s or sitting alongside

a young musician at the keyboard at the age of 85, Dave is a living example of what we educate all of our students to be: responsible leaders and citizens of the world. I am so very proud to be honoring Dave with this Medal of Achievement."

University of the Pacific expects to graduate a total of 1,638 students from its three campuses this spring. Pacific McGeorge School of Law in Sacramento anticipates a graduation class of 343.

## Pacific Theatre

This summer don't miss the latest Hollywood releases, and a classic film series. Pacific Theatre will be open Wednesdays and occasional Saturdays all summer long.



## Fear and Loathing on a College Campus

### Summer Yearbook Signings



By Mikey Vu  
Lifestyles Editor

It's that time of year again, ladies and gentlemen. When the short skirts come out from hibernation, the sun shines through the evening hours, and everyone is too busy studying to notice either. Yes, my friends, that's the sweet smell of summer right around the corner.

While some may be enjoying the extremes of all-night study sessions, others may be engaged in all night Beirut tournaments, but how many of you remember what you were doing this exact same time about 9 years ago? Because I know what I was doing: signing yearbooks.

The signing of yearbooks, a rite of passage for every middle school student, was a time

honored tradition, a time when all kids rushed around the school with their newly purchased yearbook trying to get everyone to leave awe-inspiring messages such as, "Have a great summer! Keep in touch!" There was, of course, the lazier abbreviation, "Have a great summer! K.I.T!" Looking back at my old yearbooks from seventh grade, I almost had to strain my brain to remember what the hell K.I.T meant in the first place. The first thing that crossed my mind was, "KIT? Wasn't that the talking car from Knight Rider that German musical sensation David Hasselhoff rode in? Ah, wait a minute, that was KITT."

But then there were the smart ass kids, you know, the ones who would write things like, "Don't ever change!" or precocious gems like, "Hope you stay cool!" Well, that's thinking optimistic isn't it?

Even for a twelve year old, that's showing a lot of foresight to think, "Hey! I hope you stay cool over the summer, because if you come back to school and you have somehow lost your coolness, I will pretend like I don't know you. You will be only be notable in your absence like the period in Dr Pepper." Kids can be so mean.

Then somewhere along the line, there's a paradigm shift between junior high and your senior year in high school. There's that last month before graduation where everyone scrambles to write loving, witty, sometimes overly romantic sentiments for classmates to remember when looking back fondly at their time at Generic High. It's a time when people you hardly talked to try to write anecdotes about "that one time" that you did "that one thing."

I say, screw that! You'll probably never talk to half of those people who wrote in your yearbook anyways, it's the perfect time to get back at a jilted lover or the one guy who wouldn't shut up during your English II class. "Hey it was great to hang out with you this year, even though you WOULDN'T STOP TALKING. Have a great summer!" It'd be great if your parents read through your yearbook and found this entry, "Hey, I'm sorry things didn't work out between us baby, we had a good run while it lasted even though you slept with half our school while we were together, but surprise! HPV! Now your STDs have STDs! If you didn't have it before, you do now, Happy Early Birthday, sweetie!"

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## Hollencomium Music Reviews

### Concert Review: Coachella Festival

By Richmond Hollen  
Staff Writer

This last weekend was spent with many music enthusiasts from all over the country. The Coachella music festival in Indio, California is one of the largest music festivals in the world. Ninety-five artists smashed into twenty-four hours of shows on five different stages. Headlining the festival this year was Tool and Depeche Mode, but that is hardly scratching the surface of all the bands that were there.

The festival is more like a really weird carnival, except instead of rides there are concerts and instead of carnies there are roadies. I would never think of riding

the rides at the carnival for twelve hours straight, but at Coachella it's very hard to turn down the rush of that next ride.

This general thirst for thrills is directly followed by an extreme thirst for liquid. This feeling is quickly forgotten when you realize the next band has already started playing. Such is the path to dehydration.

For those of you wishing to partake in this freak-fest of music, there are some general rules that you should follow, the first being to drink enough to pee at least once during the day. For most this will not happen, but it is a goal to strive for. Next is to



COACHELLA: The Go! Team performs Huddle Formation on the main stage.

Photo by Shawna Hollen

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# HOROSCOPES



By Dan Cammarano  
Astrological analyst

## Taurus 4/20-5/20

It doesn't matter how you feel about immigration, you must learn something from all this. So tomorrow stay away from Brookside field, you need to let the administration know what would have happened if you didn't walk over there. Tonight, close your door.

## Gemini 5/21-6/21

People wave all kinds of things: flags, hands and even towels. If you want to be a happier person you'll have to go outside and wave a shoe, the stars tell me the stinky thing needs to be aired out. Tonight, march to the beat.

## Cancer 6/22-7/22

Wake up Cancer, someone is taking what is yours and you need to stop them. Look around your life and take back, you earned it, and even if you didn't earn it take it anyway. Tonight, work for a living.

## Leo 7/23-8/22

Feeling like something is missing in your life? The third moon off to the left of Uranus tells me you should just get a new car, that'll work just fine. Tonight, don't sleep alone.

## Virgo 8/23-9/22

You're feeling alone this week, you must try to fix this. I would suggest that you ask someone to marry

you. Either that or hire a hooker/gigolo. Tonight, worry about next week.

## Libra 9/23-10/22

Many people look down on cults, but you should take another look. I'm not saying look for a cult to join, but rather start your own, it could be fun, just don't drink the punch. Tonight, laugh it off.

## Scorpio 10/23-11/21

Everything is piling up for you this week, and next week will be no better. The best thing you can do is brush aside the less important things and concentrate on what's most prominent, like pudding snacks. Tonight, read The Pacifican Online.

## Sagittarius 11/22-12/21

Great times are coming for you, and I'm not just talking about this break that will be upon us soon. Don't worry about looking for the good stuff, it'll find you, you earned it. Tonight, hate soy sauce.

## Capricorn 12/22-1/19

Bad times are upon you, and with finals next week there seems to be no end in sight. Try and better yourself and maybe you'll feel a little more sunshine in your life. Tonight, affect the economy.

## Aquarius 1/20-2/18

You need to do the rational thing and solve problems, the real trick for you is to select the right problem. Look for one that isn't that hard to fix and fix it, that should make you feel better about yourself. Tonight, use an example.

## Pisces 2/19-3/20

Embrace your culture, no wait... embrace your school! Yes, the real opportunity for you is to have pride in the bricks and levee, you might feel a little tingle in your toes. Tonight, say what you want.

## Aries 3/21-4/19

Education is the key to progress in your life, and if it's not then you've wasted a lot of time and money. Ignorance is bliss so stick to the education thing and don't spend too much time on opportunities you missed out on by being at Pacific. Tonight, take off your shirt.

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But summer isn't really like that anymore. Instead of Flintstone's Pushpops, Slip n' Slides, and summer camp, many of our summers consist of working a nine-to-five job, looking for internships, and for the less fortunate, another summer filled with more classes.

Thank you everybody for reading my column this year, it's been great. I hope you enjoyed reading my seemingly random rants and raves about the happenings around campus and in the media, and maybe, just maybe, the next year will bring me many new and amusing things to fear and loathe.

Who knows, Tom Cruise and Katie Holmes' child could turn out to be the anti-christ, or maybe the school will get around to fixing those awkward stairs that lead you over the levee. In any case, I leave you with this parting quote from the man himself, Hunter S. Thompson. "Fiction is based on reality unless you're a fairy-tale artist, you have to get your knowledge of life from somewhere. You have to know the material you're writing about before you alter it." See you crazy kids next year. KIT!

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pace yourself. Figure out the concerts that you want to stand at and the ones you want to jump and yell and scream at. Lastly, you should take at least one trip to the food court to accompany your diet of energy bars and water.

For contriteness we will limit the reviews to the three bands. It was probably the hardest decision of my life to pick these three, but necessary. The three bands will be... Gnarlz Barkley, Wolf Parade, and Cat Power.

When you hear Gnarlz Barkley you immediately think hip-hop, but this is not the case at all. The band plays crazy, crazy rock music.

The band of about fifteen members was all dressed up as Wizard of Oz characters. The opening track "Go Go Gadget Gospel" set the mood for the show.

The hot weather didn't stop the over-crowded tent from going absolutely insane. The only letdown of the show was the single "Crazy," which was played slightly slower and was over-hyped.

These guys are entertainers. They put on a show. If you ever get a chance to see them live, I would jump on that while they're still small so that it won't cost you an arm and a leg to see them.

Wolf Parade, the quartet from Montreal, Canada, also put on a great show. After going back and listening to the album, which I loved, I realized that it is nowhere near the sound of their live show.

Not only are their shows good, but they have the nicest fans of any of the shows there. If you ever need a favor, just go to a Wolf Parade show and ask around. Someone is bound to help you out.

Cat Power is known for leaving shows in the middle, getting very self-conscious and generally not touring much.

Knowing that she could possibly never play another show anywhere near me, if ever, I had to see her. Other

members of bands seem very comfortable on stage. Not Chan. She spends her time on stage fidgeting with rings, dancing really silly dances and generally looks very skittish.

I think that this only adds to her "humanness" and makes her more of a star and makes her voice even more attractive.

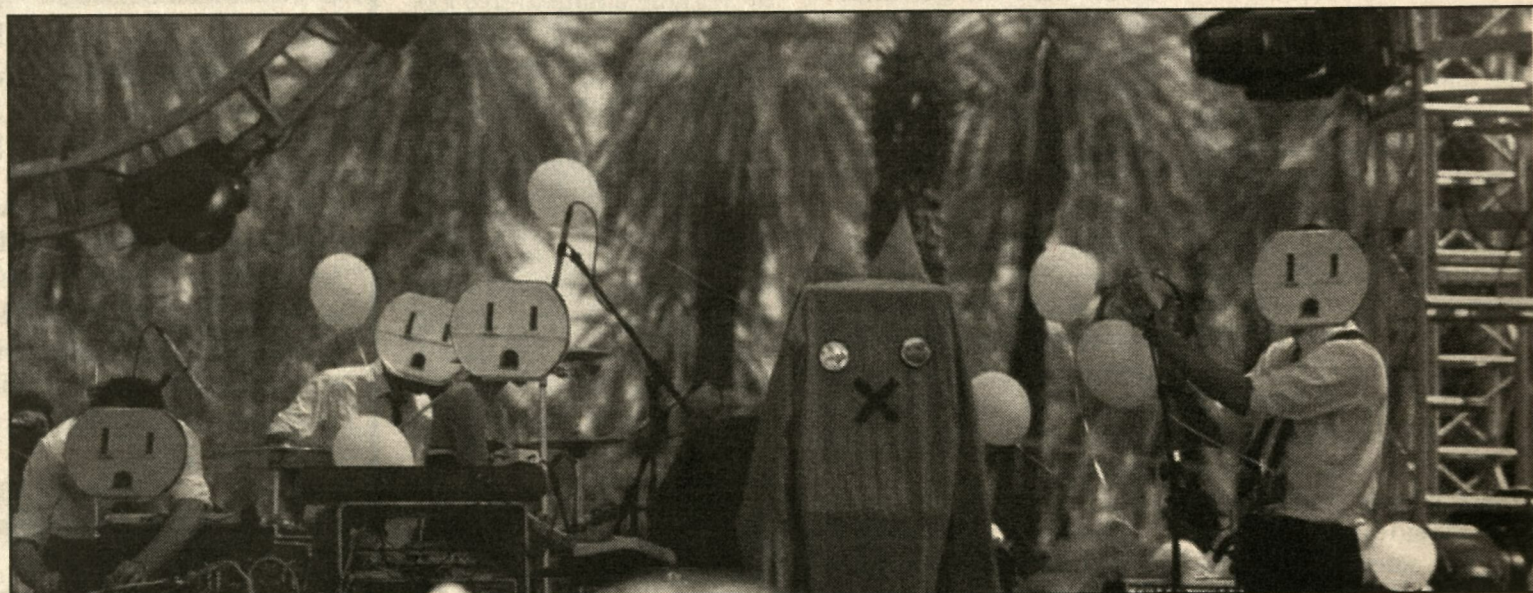
The best part of the festival was that everyone really, really wanted to be there. From the fans, who pay an exorbitant amount to be there, to the artists who are all in awe of the fans.

The small bands like The Octopus Project who were so enamored with the crowd that they nervously waved



WOLF PARADE: Indie kings perform in the Indio sun at Coachella.

Photo by Shawna Hollen



COACHELLA: This music festival was filled with outlandish live acts.

Photo by Shawna Hollen

and thanked the crowd after every song. The large bands like the Yeah Yeah Yeahs exclaimed that Coachella was the largest concert they had ever played. The festival is

a haven for music lovers everywhere, as long as you can afford it.

Thank you for reading Hollencomium Music Reviews!



Photo by Shawna Hollen

OZ: Danger Mouse, one half of Gnarlz Barkley performs as the tin man.

## The Epicurean Restaurant Review

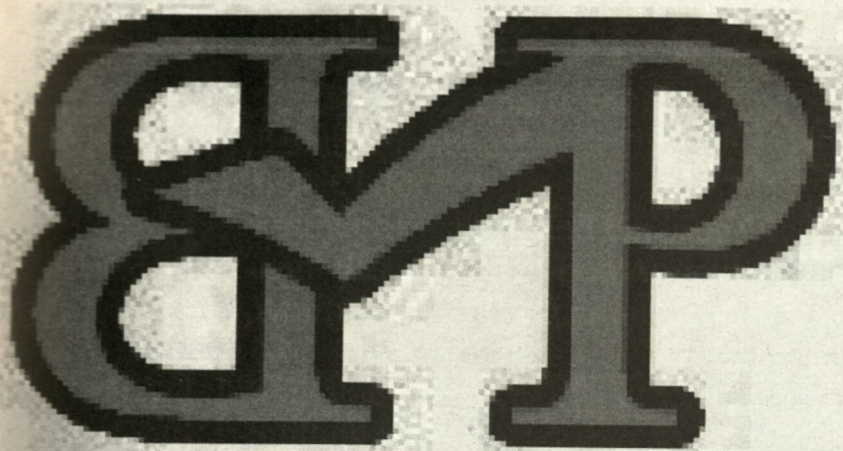
By Jeffrey Morgan  
Staff Writer

I hope that every goodbye this year is sweet like candy. Thank you to all who have read The Epicurean and found it beneficial in assisting you to both locate food and appreciate it. It is in the end that the finest meals belong, as we taste of the fruits of hugs and goodbye smiles and leave this school for home-cooked meals and the friends long missed since vacation. To all of the seniors, I wish you only the best, may you always taste the spice of life and have your just desserts, and may you never lose sight of how many delicious experiences are on the horizon. Do not fear the

end of things for as T.S. Elliot once said "To make an end is to make a beginning" (he was probably talking about second helpings). I hope that every Pacific student finds their inner epicurean, but for now this is the end of The Epicurean Restaurant Review and the beginning of your summer. Enjoy every bite of it.



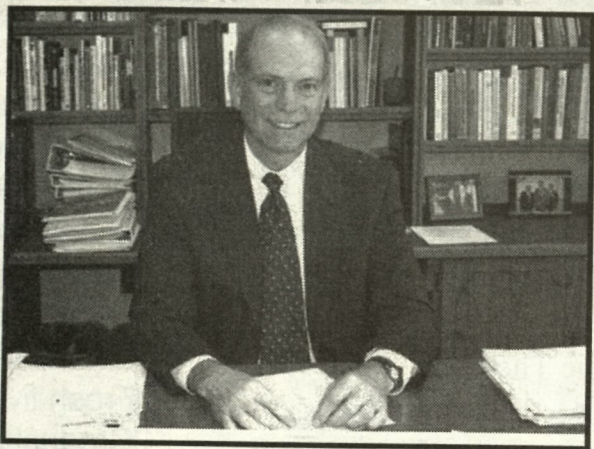




# BEST OF PACIFIC 2006

*This year The Pacifican introduces the first annual  
BEST OF PACIFIC AWARDS. Thank you to everyone  
who voted on our website!*

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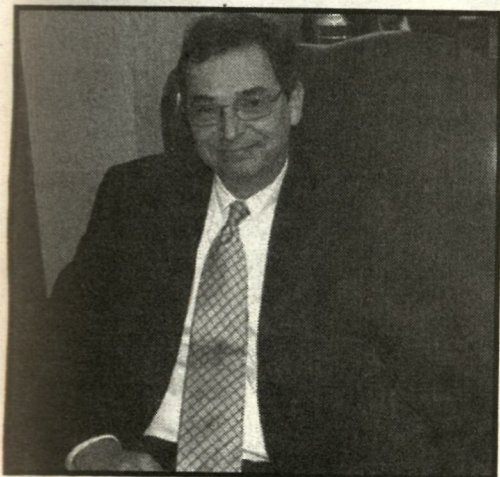


Best Dean?

- #1 Miller
- #2 Ensign
- #3 Plovnick



The Best Staff



Best meal in the dining hall?  
#1 Waffles  
#2 Breakfast  
#3 Grilled Cheese



Best midnight snack from the Summit?  
#1 Pizza  
#2 Sandwich  
#3 Smoothie

Best administrative staff?

- #1 Lynette
- #2 Ines Ruiz Houston
- #3 Kathy Hastings



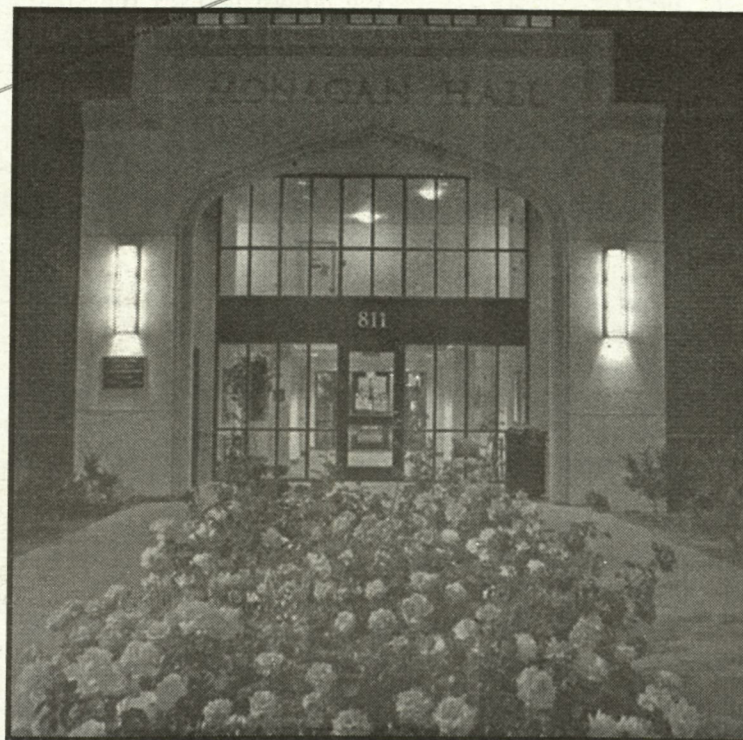
Best on campus apartments?

- #1 Monagan
- #2 UCs
- #3 Townhouses



Best residence hall?

- #1 Grace Covell
- #2 Southwest
- #3 John B







Best place to do your homework?

- #1 Library
- #2 My Room
- #3 Various lawns

Best study room in the library?

- #1 Room 3
- #2 Room 1

## Best class for....?

Engineering and Computer Science - ENGR 05

SIS - Contemporary World Issues

Pharmacy - Bio 61

COP - Intro to Mass Communications

Business - Business 53

Dentistry - Bio Chemistry

Conservatory - Music Theory II

Education - Engl 25

## Letter FROM the Editor

Jennifer Hite-Smith  
Editor-In-Chief

My fellow Tigers, Pacificans, Colleagues, Friends - The newspaper in your hands will be the last for this semester.

It has been a challenge, an adventure, and most definitely an honor to be your Editor-In-Chief this past academic year. I must start this by congratulating my staff and volunteers for a year well done; a year of improvements and journalistic passion. Furthermore, I wish to thank them. They deserve thanks not only for their dedication to 12 pages of weekly creativity and reporting, but for laughs at three a.m., for not letting me falter, for the confidence they held in me that made me always try my best, and true friendships created in close quarters during every Tuesday night's production. I think there is something to be said for students like them.

The Pacifcan has been in circulation for this university since 1908; now, in its 97th year I can proudly include my generation of Pacific Tigers in its life. As

I now reflect on the past year, I remember how my trusty delivery partner and I hand-delivered the first issue of the year to every room in the residence halls. Some of my favorite memories of the year come from driving around campus in a golf cart, delivering the paper on Thursday mornings.

I also want to thank you, the Pacific community, who voiced your own opinions. Thank you for keeping us in check and vouching for free speech. I think that one of our primary accomplishments was our website: [www.thepacifcanonline.com](http://www.thepacifcanonline.com). Check it out; that's all I really have to say.

Next year, I will have to leave this Pacific institution that has become an appendage to my life, for a far off land. I will be studying abroad, as will a number of my esteemed peers, and although I will not be sitting at the production desk at four in the morning, I plan on writing an international column as well as connecting with other Tigers abroad to contribute to

the campus which we still hold allegiance. However, I leave you with another strong staff and a new string of promising reporters. Of course, there is still room for your contribution, Tiger, jump aboard!

Without further ado, I introduce you to BEST OF PACIFIC 2006.

Best all around spot on campus?

- #1 Sigma Chi
- #2 McCaffery Center
- #3 Pool

## Best overall memory

"Making Memories"

A guy slept through a fire alarm, three cheers UOP!

All of it!

All the parties and beeeeee

Anything dealing with my

Assassins

Chilling out with conservat

Common

Corba parties

Day at the park

Double Overtime against B

Everything!

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First day as a Frosh

Frosh five film festival!

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Living in the ProjeX

Meeting all my friends

Meeting my boyfriend

My room

Party at valcono

Seeing Chris Ortega expos

Greek system

Slackline, rope swing, and

Will, dan, charles, Nickus

Sneaking into the pool

The best memories are us

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Best professional Fraternity?

**#1 Detla Sigma Pi**

#2 Kappa Psi

#3 Theta Alpha Phi/ Phi Mu Alpha

Best professional Sorority?

#1 Sigma Alpha Iota

#2 Lambda Kappa Sigma

Best social Fraternity?

#1 Sigma Chi

#2 Pike / Theta Chi

#3 Phi Delta Theta

Best social Sorority?

#1 Alpha Phi

#2 Kappa Alpha Theta

#3 Delta Gamma

Best off campus party?

#1 Volano

#2 Sigma Chi's Player Hater's Ball

Best guest speaker event?

#1 Michael Eric Dyson

#2 Sister Helen Prejean

Best tree on campus?

#1 The "Sperm" Trees

Best party theme?

#1 Highlighter

#2 80s



Photo by Dan Cammarano



Best Club event of the year?

**#1 Pilipino Cultral Night**

#2 Lu'ua



# Goodbye for now Pacific

Erin Birmingham  
News Editor

Hello and Thank You,

This has been an interesting and busy year. Lots of changes, lots of growing up, both for myself and for this publication. Some of you reading this may still feel that The Pacifican has a long way to go, and I won't argue, but I will stand by the fact that we have come a long long way.

Since I write and edit for News, I don't often get to write liberally, so in the light of this opportunity there are a few people I would like to thank, and a few things I would like to say.

First I want to say THANK YOU to Jenn Hite-Smith. I have always tried to be at her side, but I will never take the credit for keeping this paper alive. Without her dedication, time, and hard work this paper would be gone. Jenn, thank you for your hard work. Let me know one day why I have to spell your name with two n's now, and have an amazing time in Egypt. We'll miss you.

Second, I would like to say that I love my co-workers. Mikey, Shane, Marcel, Tina, Josh, Dan, Caiti, Richmond, Nick, Joe and last but not least Scott, you are all such cool people. Each of you is completely unlike anyone I have ever met. I have said it before and I will say it again, the best people at this school- work for The Pacifican.

In regards to next year I want to say, Marcel, it won't be the same without you. Who will give me hugs? And who will cover the controversial stories that everyone else is afraid to talk about? I really am rather sad that I only got to know you this year. I'll see you in MB! haha And don't forget, no one can take YOU down.

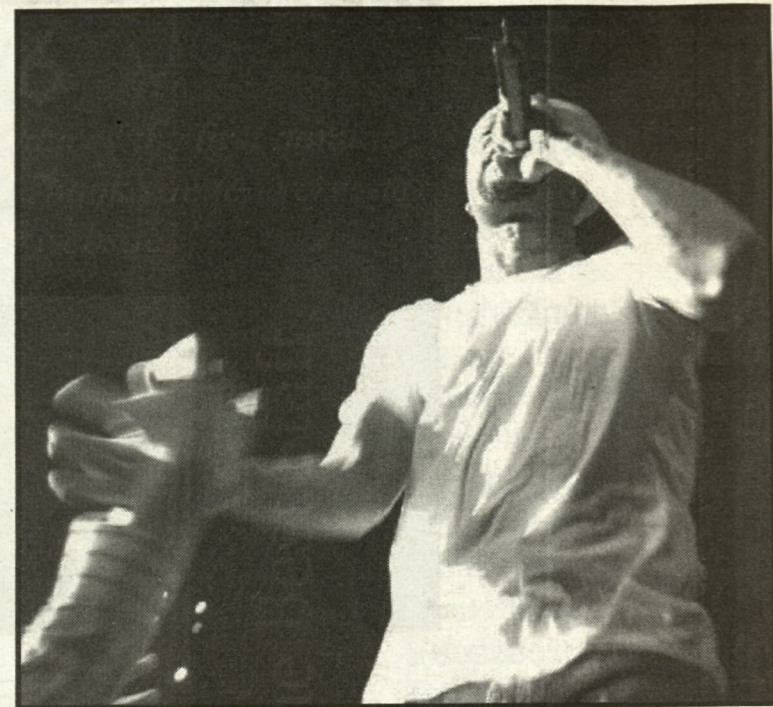
Shane, thanks for not leaving and for "having a personality". Mikey, it looks like it's you and me next year! Nick, your word is gold. Scott, you impressed me. Tina, I'll see you on the third floor!

Final thank yous: Dr. Ray for his advising and understanding, The University for my pay check.... we'll make back the money one day, and Chris, thank you for moving over at 5 am.

Have a great summer everyone! Go surfing!

## Best party foul?

Being caught beating it  
BOUCHER  
Drunken Breaking and Entering Grace  
Covell Basement and Bon Appetit  
Wounded soldiers damnit  
Nope  
Spill your drunk  
Spilling Beer  
Streaking  
STRIPE  
Vomitting in a cup then throwing the  
cup in the garbage and missing only to  
land on someones shoe.



## Best ASUOP event of the year?

#1 Tiger Nights  
#2 Common

## Best Women's athlete?

#1 Audrey Booth  
#2 Alicia Bledsoe  
#3 Carmen Padilla

## Best Men's athlete?

#1 Christian Maraker  
#2 Mike White  
#3 Johnny Gray

## Best place to not be doing homework?

#1 Library  
#2 A bar  
#3 In bed  
#4 Fraternity Houses (Omega, Sigma Chi, Pike, and Phi Delta Theta)

## Best workout at Baun Fitness Center?

#1 Elliptical  
#2 Bench Press  
#3 Racquetball

## Best rumor?

Clint Eastwood might not come to graduation  
Grace Covell is no longer any fun  
Hepatitis C?  
Lots of sex going on in the Townhouses  
People doing coke  
What Dr. Vaccarelli got fired for  
Someone got washed down the levee

## Best athletic individual performance in a game?

Anything Maraker

## Best workout outside of Baun Fitness Center?

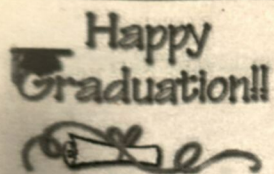
#1 Running  
#2 Sex  
#3 Intramurals

## Best Men's and Women's athletic teams?

#1 Men's Basketball & Women's Volleyball







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## Another semester down

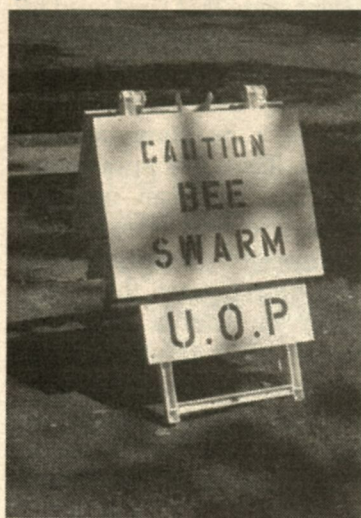
*A fragmented reflection on the school year*

By Dan Slomin  
Staff Writer

Well, the end of the school year is finally upon us, unless of course you are one of the lucky students who get to go to summer school. At the end of the 2006 school year, let's see some of what the school has accomplished over the year.

You know it's springtime at Pacific when the "bee swarm" signs are pulled out of storage and placed in strategic locations around campus. I guess it's a trade-off, because there are a lot of lovely roses and other flowers planted lavishly around campus. They look great and everything, but unfortunately, the bees love the flowers too.

That reminds me of a certain cologne I used to wear. The stuff smelled great, but the damn bees kept buzzing me. I notice that even though the university spent oodles of money changing the school name from 'UOP' to 'Pacific,' the bee signs still



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Springtime at Pacific

**"You can never have enough random public art."**

say UOP. It's okay, because bees can't read and most of them never even attended college anyway.

It looks like Pacific students will have to wait at

least until next semester to attend games at Klein baseball field. It's too bad, because the field was supposed to open in April and start hosting home games, and baseball fans like me are starting to get impatient.

As reported earlier by Kilgore Trout in the Pacifican, the baseball field is several million dollars over budget as well. I know that construction projects often have unforeseen costs, but come on people! I want to get out to the ball game and get busy root, root, rooting for the home team. I'll even buy Cracker Jack if that's what it takes.

I love baseball, but the delay makes me wonder if the cash might not have been better spent elsewhere. Of course, I'm not talking about frivolous stuff like raising the professors' salaries. I'm talking about putting metal studs on every cement curb

## Senior thoughts

*Musings on life after Pacific*

Reader Morrison  
Guest Writer

After Van Wilding it, the haze, in which lives my life, is screeching to a halt. Ah yes, the end of another year brings Christmas presents like reality for some, mayhem and no responsibility till fall for others.

Let us go then, you and I, to our senior year of high school. How young and naive we were, with no true concept of what college would be. And college came and now college is about to

**"Let us go then you and I, to our senior year of high school."**

go. So what has mom and dad's 225,000 dollars taught me? College is worth every cent; hell worth twice as much, as 200,000 is a garage sale bargain.

I believe in Asuop Rock and I believe in Lucy, but my only regret about high school is those last few weeks before graduating. I was burned out like those anti-drug commercials, my pores sweated senioritis and I tried in vain to quantum leap my life into the summer. I wish I had sucked it all in, carpe diem those last few weeks with my friends, teachers and my high school.

A single serving wise man once told me a mistake can be worthwhile if one can learn from it. In a place of higher learning many lessons we have experienced will help determine our choices in the future. That is, if we do not simply forget what we have learned here in college. But

life is short and life is sweet and sometimes we must part ways with regret, to completely understand the education we have learned in these, our last few weeks of college.

Some lessons come with the ultimate price, as tears cannot cover up wounds that with time heal into scars. Those scars should be worn as letters of pride for they are reminders of the outcomes of our choices when we are lost. And when we find ourselves lost we can reach within our own souls and work our way back up. This is where character is constructed and if the mind is open, we can understand the road that we must travel the rest of our lives to succeed. This is a teaching that will make sense to some and will be lost on others who will never be found. This is what college is to me, my thesis in a place where I have felt most comfortable and uncomfortable in falling and getting back up.

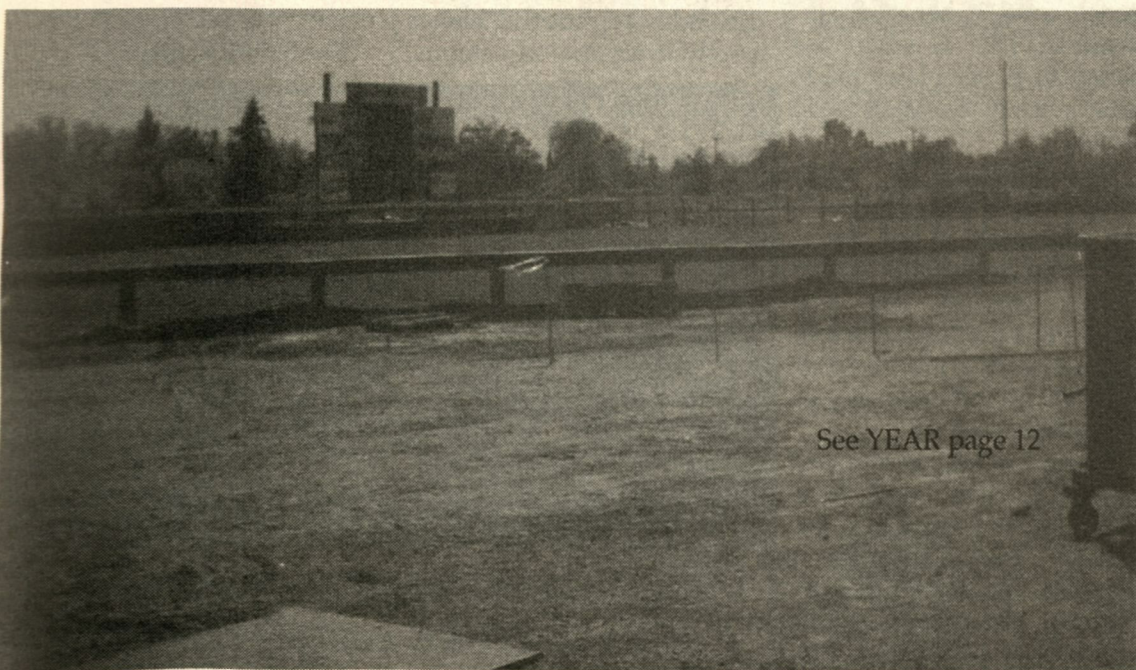
In my career at Pacific, I have ultimately grown up. The experiences at Pacific will help define all of us. I am thankful to be raised intellectually by Lehmann, Norton,

**"I was burned out like those anti-drug commercials..."**

Dobbs and Sonestroem. A billion dollars could not buy the knowledge my professors and department have tattooed in my mind.

With my eyes I have seen the destruction of something

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Klein Field is still undergoing construction, several months late and over budget.



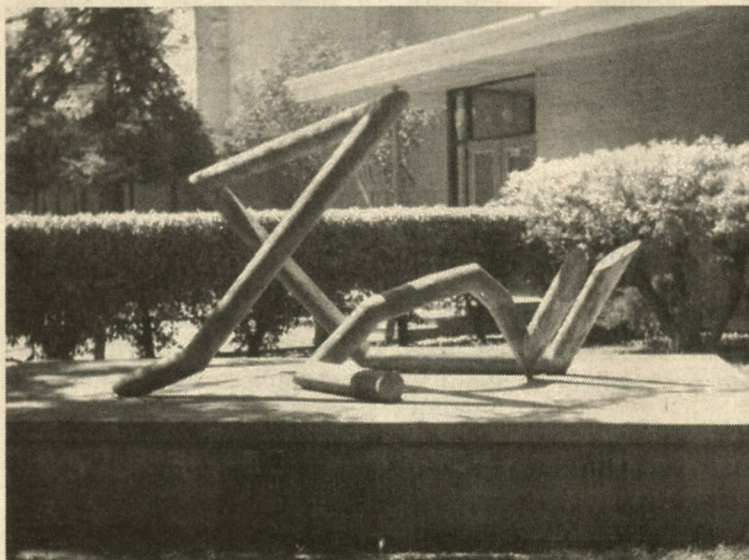
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to keep the skateboarders off. I'm talking about more incomprehensible sculptures, like the one in front of the theater. You can never have enough random public art.

Speaking of random sculptures, how about the sculpture next to the Redwood

called a Moebius strip; it's a looped, flat band with a twist in it. If you were to cut it in the middle, along the length of the loop, you would end up with a loop twice the length of the original one, instead of two separate loops.

But don't take my word for it; try it for yourself and see. All you need is an acetylene torch, a welding mask, and several thousand dollars for



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An abstract sculpture outside the theater.

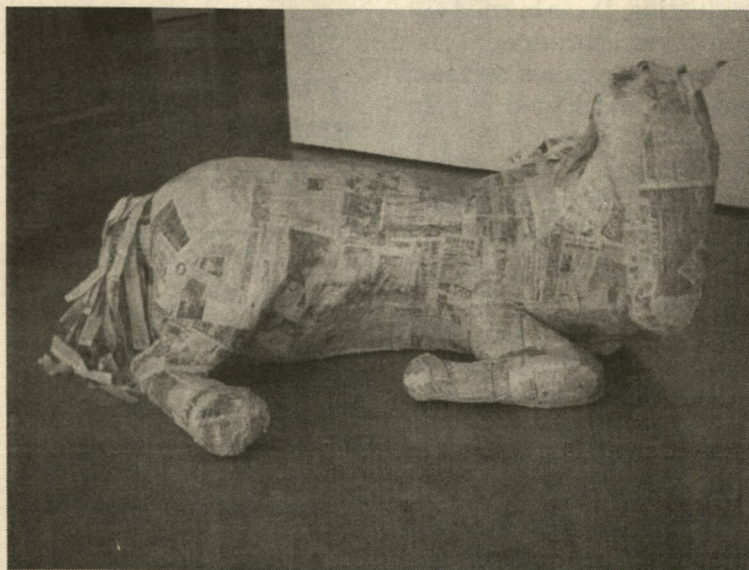
**"But don't take my word for it; try it for yourself and see. Don't mention my name"**

Room? It's a big iron loop, and you wouldn't really think much of it one way or the other. It's actually what is

bailing yourself out when public safety busts you for trying to cut a sculpture in half. Don't mention my name.

Public art doesn't need to be so esoteric. I always like to stop by the studio arts building every now and then, to

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A lifesize papier-mache horse greets visitors to the studio arts building.

## Living with the madman

By Nick Hansen  
Online Editor

You will never really understand a person until you live with them, and for me, living with Marcel "Badass" Gibson was one of the best things that I could have done.

Most of you may know this Savage Beast as the man who can take you shot for shot, will pound a beer to "Bro Hym Tribute" and will sing and dance to "Don't Stop Believing." Others will see him as a writer, a thinker and most of all, a really awesome guy. Over the past three years I have really begun to know him, but this past year has really shown me something.

When Marcel and I (and another guy we don't talk about) moved into Townhouse C15 in late August 2005 I saw a party-filled, fun year ahead of us. But I had no idea how messy, and outright blunt Marcel really is.

Marcel likes to live in a messy environment, with clothes all over the place, dishes piled high on his desk, and empty orange juice containers on the floor. The kitchen is worse, dishes will sit in the sink for weeks on end gathering mold and stench until it becomes unbearable. This is when the switch to paper plates made sense since no one likes to do dishes.

The bathroom is much worse. There is a phrase in our apartment "I just dominated the bathroom" which usually implies that one should not use the bathroom or go outside if you have to. For a 300 pound man you can just understand.

Ever since Marcel stopped cutting his hair, black little curly Qs are rampant in the shower. Every morning, I spend a good 15 seconds washing down this excess hair just so I can take a somewhat decent shower. On top of the fact that he uses the soap that I buy and my shampoo as well makes my life a little bit more difficult.

After Marcel showers, he usually walks around butt naked which I took as a shock for the first semester. After seeing this I got used to it and now I don't really care. It's difficult for me however when my friends come over and he's walking around naked. They get uncomfortable and you can imagine the rest.

Marcel's love for showing skin didn't start this year. When he was a freshman and living in Southwest, he tells me stories about how he would "go streaking," no one really seemed to mind. If he did it now, I am almost certain he would be arrested for indecent exposure.

Whenever my peers come back from the gym I always hear "Do you know how much Marcel bench-pressed today?!" "No," I respond. "Oh my god, he was putting up at least 300 pounds, he had like three 45's on each side!" "That's neat," I reply.

Marcel is a big guy, like a BIG guy. I met him through cheerleading and he could always lift more than me (no surprise there) and his size just amazed me. Maybe this is why the local watering hole known as Flynn's hired him as a bouncer to work Thursday nights. He knows nearly everyone on campus,

at least those who get out, and every year he is respected by the freshman class.

In public, Marcel comes across as a huge partier. He has shown me and many others the proper art to partying. In private Marcel is a gamer. He used to spend hours on end playing World of Warcraft until he realized it would bring him nowhere in life. So instead he would play Dungeons and Dragons (even though that brought him nowhere either).

When our 12 foot TV came in with surround sound and a modded XBOX, Marcel soon found himself glued to the projected image. I would come home from a day of skiing and see him playing World Series of Poker, or Mortal Kombat: Deception, or other games of the sort. Until the first modded XBOX was stolen was when Marcel really got into console games.

Most people listen to soothing music when they study or try to relax, Marcel isn't 'most people.' Whenever possible, music by the great band System of a Down can be heard emanating from his room. In the shower, while walking to class or while driving down

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sacred: something 400 some odd people have built over twenty years has crumbled away as a result of the bad choices of the administration a minority few.

I have seen lives destroyed and anarchy set in from a brotherhood most people will never comprehend. Maybe it is that it is only meant to be understood by the few who proudly took on the challenge, as it is a lesson those who suffered will never forget.

No matter the liability, the administration should have taken a different stand. It was their own children they crucified with their two-faced promises. Yet we are still responsible for our choices and the choices of those who represent us. This lesson is quickly being swept away and soon will be forgotten.

But life is ironic and when we forget, lessons have a tendency to repeat themselves. This campus will continue to deal with atrocities until it addresses the real problems.

I have played club sports and intramurals and through athletics, clubs, the Pacifican, fraternities, and just getting involved I have met life-changing people who have touched my life for the better, both much older and younger than me. I have built bonds with people I would have nothing in common with in the real world.

I have manufactured strong friendships with people from different Greek affiliations, sexual preferences, nationalities and cultures due to the experiences of college. Getting involved is essential to one's growth in college and a lesson every senior should be passing down to freshmen.

The working world is cruel and excuses get you fired. College is the time to prepare for the world and by now, all we can do is remember the lessons learned. Preparation is over and reality about to set in. In

these the last few weeks, it is time to fully grasp and make peace with the greatest years of our lives. For the seniors this chapter in their lives is almost at a close.

A wise writer once told me the ending is what can make or break a chapter. These last

**"And for me, if I had to do it all over again, I would have tried to stay in college another seven years."**

few weeks is our redemption song; it is time we inhale and exhale the training that will help define who we are in the future.

And for me, if I had to do it all over again, I would have tried to stay in college another seven years. I guess I should be thankful though, that I only have one regret: if I only knew now what I did not know then. I am, however, in the market for a time machine, to fix the regret that will forever haunt me.

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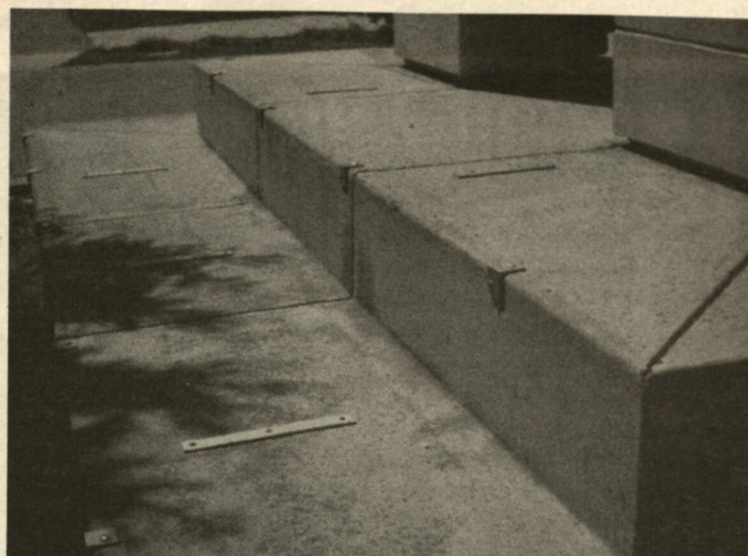
the road, Marcel chants lyrics to his favorite songs. Of course, anyone who listens to a band like this so much clearly worships them.

Every article Marcel writes he usually ends with "Don't Stop Believing" and Marcel has done just that. This is his theme song, he sings to it, dances to it and outright does a better job than Journey themselves.

Marcel, being a religion major, has also helped with pointing out how people work, what makes them tick. His laid back look at life has helped him become the savage person that he is now. He provides a lot of insight into different ways of thinking.

Staff members at The Pacifican call him "Big Bear" when he comes in for meetings, as Mikey Vu described him as being "built like a bear."

He will be thoroughly missed by the staff at The Pacifican, by the students and faculty of the University and by me, as I view him as my mentor. I wish him the best in his travels post-graduation, and the time that he spends "sticking it to the man."



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Brackets on the south campus clock tower base prevent skateboarding.

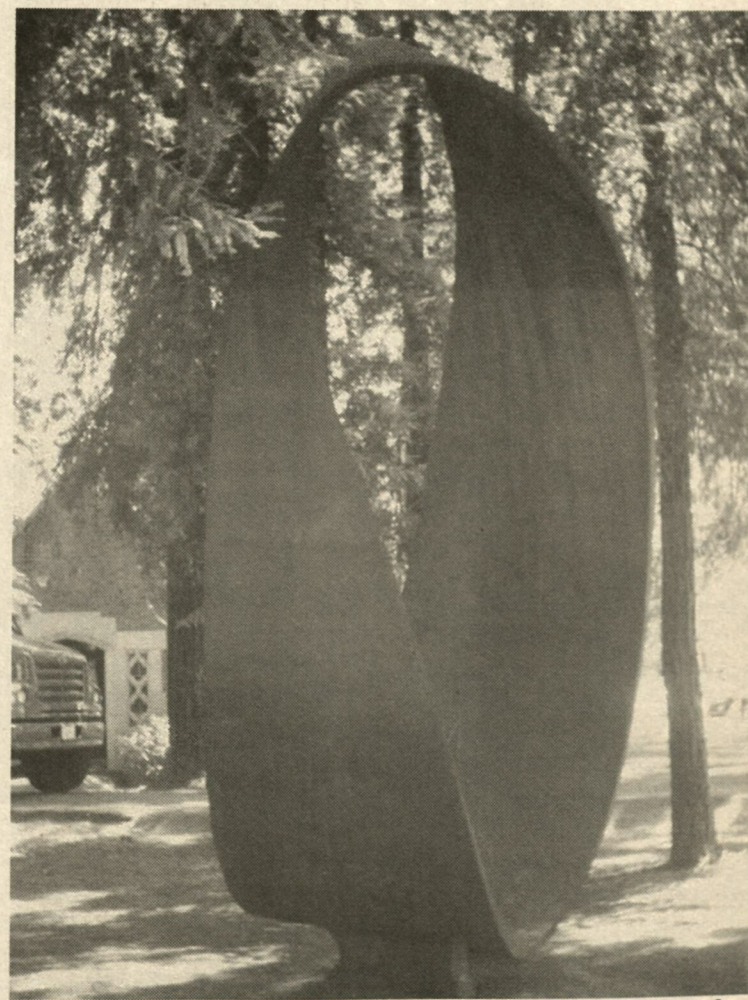
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see what my fellow student artists are working on. My recent visit brought me face to face with a life-size sculpture of a reclining horse made out of papier-mâché.

It was made mostly out of newspaper, which I think

would be a fitting use for unread back issue of this paper. Let's go for alliterations in our papier-mâché creatures—I'm thinking *Pacifican* Penguins, or some such thing. It'll be cool, you'll see. Well, if you're an art-nerd like me, anyway.

Have a safe and enjoyable summer break, fellow students.



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This sculpture adjacent to the Redwood Room is a Moebius loop.

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## And the Season Starts to Roll

**Ryan Mathews**  
Columnist

The race goes on. We are now through with the first month of Baseball. April has brought to the viewers and fans more news and surprises than any other beginning to a season that I can recently remember. Record home runs have been hit all over the league and one player by the name of Steve Finley is already on pace to break his own record of hitting ten triples in a season. He hit his fourth on Sunday, and let me remind you again that the season is a month old.

The home runs hit around the league have been phenomenal with a combined amount of homers surmounting to over 500. There are many explanations to this spectacle, and I hope that I can figure out a good reason why everyone is hitting the ball, but I am sure I might digress into Barry Bonds.

What could be creating all of these home runs? The "Steroid Era" has hit its climax. It now includes our federal government, who is now conducting an investigation on the claim that Bonds committed perjury when testifying before a federal grand jury. With this going on, I couldn't believe that anyone would want to be doing steroids this season. Sure people such as Ivan Rodriguez (Pudge, I-Rod mini) called the leagues bluff and got caught. Rafael Palmeiro did the exact same thing. The situation that Bonds has been put in by the media is enormous, and I doubt that any other player wishes that upon them.

Why is everyone hitting those homers, though? I think that the players that have been overlook the most, in accordance to steroid allegations, are the pitchers. They take the steroids because their arm is in such high demand all of the time and steroids assists in quicker rehabilitation. When choice players meet before congress, Curt Shilling was there and he was the only pitcher, but this is here just to prove a point. My theory is that many pitchers are off the steroids and the batters are able to get a better range on the throws that they make. There are many different ways that you could look at it.

Remember, any common fan knows that Barry Bonds is in a slump right now. He is barley hitting over .200 and as of now, he is one of the most walked players in baseball. This columnist always debates over 'Bonds' history and recent news, and again the easiest answer is to say that he is off the juice. How many of us out there have ended our careers due to our fragile knees tearing or shattering. The knee is the arguably the most feared common injury in sports, and Bonds has battled his knee through three surgeries and months of rehabilitation. Remember that as you look at his numbers.

I believe that this is his last season, he will not beat Hank Aaron, nor will he play 120 games as Felipe Alou and GM Brian Sabean anticipated.

But why is he still getting those oh-so-common pitchouts when Moises Alou bats right after him and happens to be on fire right now? It truly comes down to the mindset of the opposing manager. Bonds has been put into swinging situations this year and has continuously grounded out, usually up the first base line. Other players are ripping the

baseball all over the place in every park all over the league. Bonds has three home runs this season and there are other players such as Jason Giambi, who have hit four times as many home runs than Bonds.

Commissioner Bud Selig has no plans to celebrate the passing of this record because he that it is not important to him or baseball. He supports this by mentioning that Hank Aaron already passed Ruth in

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our generation.**

1974, so what is the point? The point is that we are watching the "Bambino" of our generation. Babe Ruth was an alcohol abuser and smoker, among other things. He was the first player to play in the league with a voice box. Now I don't know if those are as big as a steroid scandal, but whatever generation it might be, people (including baseball stars) are always looking for an advantage above everyone else.

As of now, Bonds is only two home runs away from beating the Babe Ruth record. Bonds sent a full-count, 96 mph fastball from Scott Linebrink over the center-field wall for a solo shot that traveled an estimated 440 feet. Linebrink became the 419th pitcher to surrender a home run to Bonds.

"The fast ones I'm able to see. The slower ones I'm missing," Bonds said, smiling. "He challenged me one time too many."

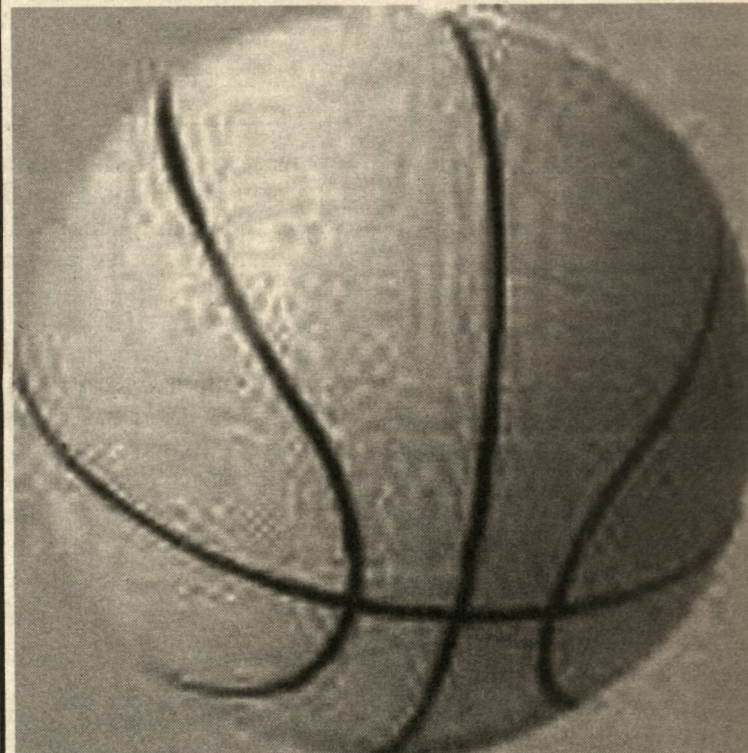
## Pacific signs NJCAA scoring camp

media relations

University of the Pacific Head Men's Basketball Coach Bob Thomason announced today the signing of Matt Goodwin to a national letter of intent for the 2006-07 season. He joins DeAngelo Garrett, Solomon HorseChief and C.J. Morgan as newcomers on the 2006-07 team, and will enter Pacific

2005-06 Matt led the Tetons to a 22-12 record, a Mon-Dak Conference championship, District 16 and Region 13 championships and an appearance in the 2006 NCJAA National Tournament.

He was a First Team All-Conference, All-Area, and All-State player for Rufus King High School in Milwaukee, Wis. Goodwin



in the fall of 2006.

Goodwin is a shooting guard from Williston State College in Williston, North Dakota. He led the National Junior College Athletic Association in scoring as a sophomore, averaging 24.8 points per game and earned Second Team NJCAA All-America honors. After leading the Tetons with 710 points and hitting 93 three-pointers, Matt was named Mon-Dak Conference Player of the Year in 2005-06. He was a First Team All-Mon-Dak selection as a freshman. In

was the team captain in his senior year for a team that finished No. 21 in the USA today national high school poll. He won WIAA state championships in his junior and senior seasons in addition to league titles both years.

"We're really excited about Matt joining our program," said Thomason. "He is a very good three-point shooter and a good athlete. His ability will help us immediately next year and he'll be an excellent addition to our already strong group of guards."

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# Sports Wrap: Tennis

## Men's tennis

Pacific Tennis seniors Arnar Sigurdsson and Jorgen Vestli were named to the 2006 Big West All-Conference First Team for singles. Junior Vladimir Zdravkovic was named to the Second Team and freshman Tim Koniarski received Honorable Mention as singles players.

Sigurdsson and Zdravkovic as well as Koniarski and Vestli were named to the Big West's First Team for their play as doubles partners as well.

Sigurdsson is 16-7 this spring as an individual, playing 13 of his matches as the Tigers number one player. Vestli is a combined 15-8 on the year, playing the majority of matches at number two. Zdravkovic is 12-8 and Koniarski finished the year at 11-9.

The doubles team of Vestli and Koniarski was 3-2 this past year and Sigurdsson

and Zdravkovic went 3-1.

This is the fourth time Sigurdsson has earned First Team All-Big West honors, while Vestli is honored for the second straight year. Zdravkovic earns a place on the All-Big West Team for the third straight year.

## Women's tennis

Pacific senior Natalia Kostenko and Vana Mrazovic were named to the Big West All-Conference Singles Teams. Kostenko and freshman Carla Tamborini were named Honorable Mention All-Big West in doubles as well.

Kostenko is a combined 17-8 over the fall and spring seasons, going 7-3 in the Tigers' number one spot. Mrazovic is 8-11 for Pacific this year and the doubles team of Kostenko and Tamborini finished the 2006 season at 15-5.

This is the third time Kostenko has been named to an All-Conference team and the third for Mrazovic.

to 23-18 overall and 7-1 in conference. The loss is the sixth consecutive for Pacific, while Long Beach State is riding a seven game winning streak.

The Tigers jumped out to an early 2-0 lead in the top of the first inning as Pacific scored two runs with two outs. After the first two Pacific batters were retired, senior

Matt Berezay singled up the middle. Sophomore Justin Baum followed with a long home run over the left-center field wall. It was Baum's eighth home run of the season, tying him with Berezay for the team lead.

Long Beach State responded in the bottom of the first inning as the 49ers scored three runs on three hits and three Pacific errors.

Pacific struck right back in

the top of the second as the Tigers tied the game with a run on three singles. Senior Ramon Glasgow led off the inning with a single to center. Senior Bob Saunders followed with a beautiful bunt single down the third baseline. Two outs later the Pacific runners remained at first and second for sophomore Adam Ching. Ching laced the first pitch of his at-bat into center field, scoring Glasgow from second.

# Sports Calendar

<b>Friday, May 5</b>			
Baseball	UCRiverside	Klein Family Field	2:00 PM
<b>Saturday, May 6</b>			
Baseball	UC Riverside	Klein Family Field	1:00 PM
Softball	CSUN	Bill Simoni Field	12:00 PM
Softball	CSUN	Bill Simoni Field	2:00 PM
<b>Sunday, May 7</b>			
Baseball	UC Riverside	Klein Family Field	1:00 PM
Softball	CSUN	Bill Simoni Field	12:00 PM
<b>Tuesday, May 9</b>			
Baseball	Sacramento State	Klein Family Field	2:00 PM

# Baseball & Softball

*Softball & Baseball lose Long Beach State*

## Softball

The Pacific softball team dropped the third game of their series with Long Beach State on Sunday, April 30, falling by the score of 7-4. With the loss the Tigers fell to 24-21 overall and 5-7 in Big West play while the 49ers improved to 26-18 overall and 11-4 in conference action.

The Tigers bats got started early in game three of the series, knocking out two hits and denting the scoreboard for a single run in the first inning of the contest. The run was the first score for the Tigers in 18 innings of play, dating back to game two of their series with Cal State Fullerton.

Senior Brittany Hyams converted a fielder's choice into two bases after taking advantage of a mental miscue by the 49ers infield. An infield hit by junior Jennifer Curtier put runners on first and third for the Tigers from which senior Kristen Allen knocked in Hyams to give

the Tigers the early lead.

However, that lead would be short lived as Long Beach State took back control of the contest with timely hitting and smart base running to post two runs in the bottom of the inning.

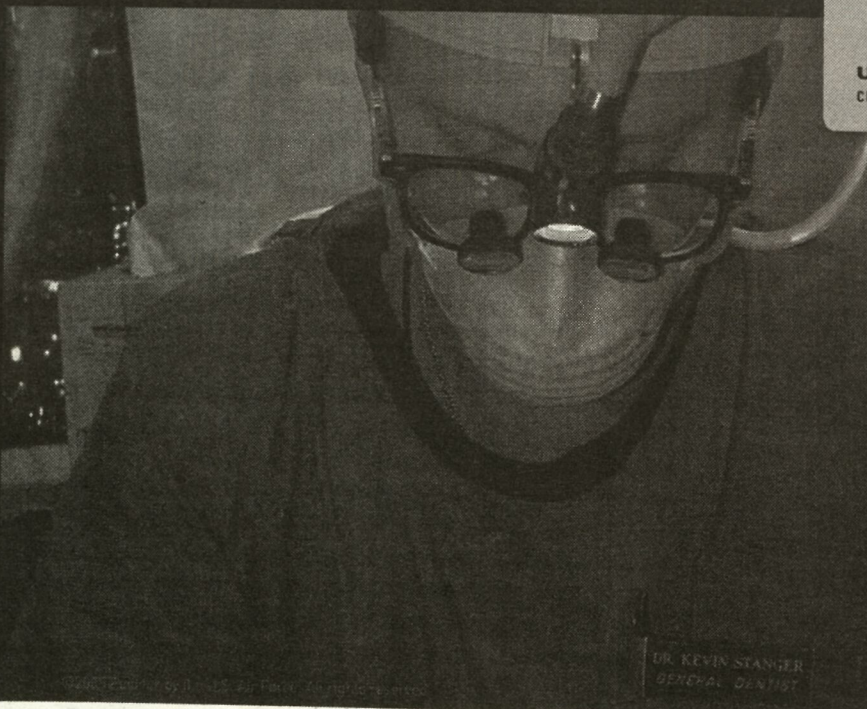
The Tigers responded in the third with an eriliy similar inning to the first. Hyams again reached on a fielder's choice after which she promptly stole second. With Curtier at the plate, the Tigers posted their second run of the game as Pacific's first basemen roped her second hit of the game to knock in Hyams. Curtier would finish the game 2-for-4 while Hyams wentt 1-4 but scored two runs on the day.

## Baseball

The Pacific baseball team fell, 9-3, to Long Beach State on Sunday, Apr. 30 as the 49ers completed a three-game sweep of Pacific.

The loss dropped Pacific to 22-19 on the season and 3-9 in Big West Conference play, while Long Beach State moved

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